

Mitchigamea language

Mitchigamea or **Michigamea** is a language spoken by Mitchigamea people.

In 1673, Jacques Marquette and Louis Jolliet used a Mitchigamea man, who only spoke Illinois poorly, as a translator between the Illinois-speaking French, and the Siouan-speaking Quapaw.^[1] Jean Bernard Bossu provides two sentences from the mid-18th century which, according to John Koontz, indicate that Michigamea was a Siouan language of the Mississippi Valley branch.^[2]

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Michigamea	
<i>Mihshikamiia</i>	
Region	Arkansas in the United States
Extinct	18th century?
Language family	Siouan - Western Siouan - Mississippi Valley Siouan (unclassified) Michigamea
Language codes	
ISO 639-3	cmm
Linguist List	cmm (http://multitree.org/codes/cmm)
Glottolog	<i>None</i>

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